

## **MINUTES**

### **MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 59th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION**

#### **COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY**

**Call to Order:** By **CHAIRMAN DIANE RICE**, on April 5, 2005 at 3:00 P.M., in Room 102 Capitol.

#### **ROLL CALL**

**Members Present:**

Rep. Diane Rice, Chairman (R)  
Rep. Paul Clark, Vice Chairman (D)  
Rep. Ron Stoker, Vice Chairman (R)  
Rep. Arlene Becker (D)  
Rep. Robyn Driscoll (D)  
Rep. George Everett (R)  
Rep. Gail Gutsche (D)  
Rep. Christopher Harris (D)  
Rep. Roger Koopman (R)  
Rep. Tom McGillvray (R)  
Rep. Mark E. Noennig (R)  
Rep. Art Noonan (D)  
Rep. John Parker (D)  
Rep. John Ward (R)  
Rep. Jeanne Windham (D)

**Members Excused:** Rep. Michael Lange (R)  
Rep. Jon Sonju (R)  
Rep. Bill Wilson (D)

**Members Absent:** None.

**Staff Present:** John MacMaster, Legislative Branch  
Pam Schindler, Committee Secretary

**Please Note.** These are summary minutes. Testimony and discussion are paraphrased and condensed.

**Committee Business Summary:**

Hearing & Date Posted: None  
Executive Action: SB 43-Do Concur In

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 43**

**Motion:** REP. NOONAN moved that SB 43 BE CONCURRED IN.

**Discussion:**

REP. NOONAN thanked CHAIRMAN RICE and the committee for allowing this meeting to occur.

REP. KOOPMAN admonished the committee, "Please think about what you are voting for. The government cannot protect people from the actions of others; this is protecting you from yourself."

(Please Note: REP. HARRIS absent from the room.)

**Vote:** Motion that SB 43 BE CONCURRED IN carried 11-7 by roll call vote with REP. EVERETT, REP. KOOPMAN, REP. LANGE, REP. SONJU, REP. STOKER, and REP. WARD voting no. (REPS. HARRIS, LANGE, SONJU, and WILSON voted by proxy vote.) (REP. DRISCOLL to carry.)

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**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 3:10 P.M.

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REP. DIANE RICE, Chairman

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PAM SCHINDLER, Secretary

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Additional Exhibits:

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